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Corps places temporary fire restrictions on recreation lands around Dworshak Reservoir

AHS AHKA, Idaho – Recreationists planning to visit Dworshak Dam and Reservoir should be aware of fire conditions and temporary fire restrictions.

At the request of Clearwater-Potlatch Timber Protection Agency wildfire managers, temporary fire restrictions are in place on all lands managed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers around Dworshak Dam and Reservoir .

This includes all developed campgrounds and minicamps, said Deb Norton, lead ranger for the Corps at Dworshak.

The forests surrounding Dworshak Reservoir have reached very dry conditions. To reduce the risk of wildfires, campfires (using established fire rings only) must be completely extinguished between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. This limitation will be in effect until fire-risk conditions change. Camping is allowed only in designated sites.

“Visitors should take extra precautions not only with campfires, but also with other sources of ignition, such as cigarettes, vehicle exhaust systems and even charcoal briquettes,” said Norton. “Visitors should carry a shovel, bucket, and fire extinguisher to quench their fires.”

All recreationists are asked if they see problems or issues with fires or suspicious smoke please contact the Sheriff’s office or Dworshak personnel.

For more information about recreation opportunities or fire conditions at Dworshak, contact the ranger staff at (208) 476-1255. Information on recreation is also available on the Corps’ Walla Walla District web site at www.nww.usace.army.mil.

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